

YUMA AREA OFFICE AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY

Reclamation's mission:

- To manage, develop, and protect water and related resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner in the interest of the American public

YAO's mission:

- To protect and enhance the Colorado River's natural and man-made resources while satisfying the water needs of our National and International customers

Water Delivery:

- Deliver over 7 million acre-feet (MAF) of water annually to three lower basin states and Mexico
- Maintain over 30 water, land, and power contracts for several Federal projects
- Provide river water to $\frac{3}{4}$ million people and 1.2 million acres of agricultural lands in 3 states and 7 rural counties



Vision:

- To achieve excellence at delivering four core products and services:



- 1. Delivery of Colorado River water to U.S. customers such as California and Arizona irrigation districts, Indian Tribes, and municipalities:
 - River channel maintenance
 - Water scheduling, accounting, and delivery



- 2. Delivery of Colorado River water to Mexico:
 - Irrigation interests are represented by the International Boundary and Water Commission (IBWC)



Morelos Dam and Reforma Canal – RM 23.1

- 3. Colorado River environmental mitigation and enhancement (California, Arizona, and Federal game and fish regulators):
 - Backwater development and maintenance
 - Ensure National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance requirements



Environmental Mitigation and Enhancement



➤ 4. Management of Yuma Area groundwater for Yuma Irrigation districts, farmers, residents, and tribes. Four well fields are used for drainage control in the Yuma area:

- Yuma Mesa
- Yuma Valley
- South Gila
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